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STATE WILL BRING SUIT

Champion Fibre Co. it is Said
Will Be Defendants.

ABOUT RIVER POLLUTION

Governor Hooper Said He Recently Took the Matter Up With the Attorney General and That Preparations Are Being Made for the Institution of the Suit Immediately.

Nashville Oct. 31.—Suits in the name of the state is to be brought in the near future against the Champion Fibre Co. of Canton, N. C. for the pollution of the waters of the Big Pigeon and French Broad rivers in East Tennessee.

The former runs into French Broad four miles south of Newport, and for a long distance the water of two streams are distinguishable to the eye.

It is said that the effect of the use of the Big Pigeon by the fibre company can be felt nearly or quite to Knoxville. The Champion Fibre Co. engages in the making of paper pulp.

Tannic acid and chemicals used in bleaching are poured into the river named, the water being quickly blackened. The Big Pigeon runs for about twenty-five miles in this state, following the Tennessee & North Carolina railroad.

Two years ago the attorney-general was instructed to bring suit, but for lack of funds to pay litigation, nothing was done.

The last legislature appropriated a larger sum for the purpose, and there is no reason now why the suit cannot be instituted.

The federal courts will be used.

The principle of the suit is said to be practically the same as that of the Cooper Company, at Ducktown, the State of Georgia vs. Tennessee in which the complaint was that fumes and noxious gases from the company's plant, were wafted into Georgia, destroying vegetation and stripping trees of foliage. When the courts decided that the nuisance must be abated, the cooper company perfected apparatus by which sulphuric acid was made from the fumes, and this byproduct becoming a most valuable part of the company's business.

In discussing the matter Saturday night, Governor Hooper said:

"I recently took the matter up with the attorney-general, who will begin to make preparations for the suit immediately. I have also taken the matter with Dr. L. P. Brown, the state chemist, and as early as he finds it convenient he is going to make an examination of the stream, in question and analyze the water."

MORE EVIDENCE OF JOHN I. COX

Meeting of Ex-Office Holders in Sullivan County Due to Influence.

An anti-Sells meeting of ex-postmasters and ex-office holders was held at Blountville, Sullivan county this week where an organization was perfected to wage war on the first district congressman. The organization is termed a rump one, because it was called by a man who claimed to be secretary of the regular committee, whereas the state organization is recognizing another man as secretary.

In a story sent out from Bristol in regard to the meeting the following appeared:

It is believed that today's meeting was inspired by Ex-Governor John Isaac Cox. Martin, it is said, has always been known as a strong and vigorous adherent of Cox and has recently declared in a published statement that he supported the ex-governor in his last race for the state senate.

Congressman Sells stated in an interview from Newport a few days ago that Ex-Governor Cox was directing the republican opposition to him in the first congressional district, not with the hope of defeating him for reelection to congress, but in order to split the republican party in the first congressional district, for his personal

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C. P. RODGERS.

He is Trying to Fly From
New York to San Francisco.



LOCALS MAKE FAST TIME

Trains Which Make Every Stop
are the Fastest on This
Division.

It is common to hear trains Nos. 35 and 36 spoken of as the speed marvels of the Asheville division, and the Carolina Special, too, is supposed to have some speed, but the fastest trains passing through Newport are trains No. 101 and 102, the trains which stop at every telegraph pole and station along the line.

Coming down from Asheville in the morning, train No. 101 makes the 65 miles to Newport in two hours and ten minutes. The nearest this is approached in speed is the time made the Carolina Special which makes the distance in two hours and sixteen minutes. The local train makes a dozen stops and still beats the time made by special which makes but two stops between Newport and Asheville. No. 35 is two minutes slower than the Carolina Special and No. 11 is another two minutes behind No. 35 in her schedule.

Coming from Morristown to Newport, a distance of 22 miles, the local train is four minutes faster than any train on the road, and makes four stops between the two towns while train No. 36 which does not make any stops, still is four minutes behind in her schedule. It takes train No. 102, 40 minutes to run the 22 miles, Train No. 37 makes it in 44 minutes, Train No. 28 in 47 minutes and No. 12 in 55 minutes.

FALLS ON ROOF BREAKS AN ARM

Robert Hill, who works at the Haynes barber shop, fell down on the roof of the building Friday while putting water in the tank, and fractured his left arm three inches below the elbow. The boy had a slight fracture three months previous to the same arm. Doctors Bingham and Barnett rendered medical attention.

ANDY OTTINGER ANSWERS CALL

Well Known Salem Citizen Dead
—Survived by a Large
Family.

At the age of 76 years, death has claimed Andy Ottinger one of the best known men living in the Salem section. An infection of the heart occasioned his death on the 29th after an illness of about five weeks.

"Uncle" Andy Ottinger as he was known had a large family, and nine children mourn his loss besides his widow. The children are: Martin, Melvin, Ernest, Miller and Cardellia Ottinger and Mesdames Bell Stepp, Hattie Hawk, Algia Neas and Jetta Winters.

One brother, Siren Ottinger and two sisters, Miss Kate Ottinger and Mrs. Margaret Neas also survive.

The funeral was held at the St. James church where he had been a member for many years, and was attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

FORMER NEWPORT MAN KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Perry Clevenger Shoots His Wife and Later Takes His Own Life. One Story Had it That Both the Man and Woman Had a Gun, and a Duel Resulted.

Perry Clevenger, who for several years worked in Newport with Walter Coffin, and who went from this place to Knoxville with Mr. Coffin when he engaged in the saloon business in that city, was a participant in a bloody tragedy at Knoxville, last Thursday, in which he and his wife both met death.

Reports as to the details vary, but it is known that both the husband and wife are dead and there are two little orphans as a result. One report had it that the couple engaged in a duel, Clevenger's brother claiming that the dead woman had waited for her husband with a revolver, and that she fired the first shot which was from a .38 calibre revolver, while Clevenger used a .32 revolver. The woman died on the porch of her home, while the man went into the house and finished the work by sending a bullet through his own heart.

Perry Clevenger is well remembered in Newport. He was born in the neighborhood of the old distillery near Carson's Springs and when but a small lad came under the care of Bob Jones who had him sent to an industrial school. He finally tired of the school and insisted on coming back to Newport and secured work with Walter Coffin in his pool room and saloon, and went with him to Knoxville. His mother and two brothers and a sister also went to Knoxville and are living there at the present time.

Clevenger was twenty-eight years old and his wife was eight years his junior, and they are survived by two children aged four and six years.

The story of the affair is said to have been as follows:

The trouble arose, it is believed, over Mrs. Clevenger's objection to a "wine room" operated at the soft drink stand of which her husband was proprietor, at the corner of Asylum avenue and South Broad street. She was responsible for a raid on her husband's place of business, a half hour before the shooting.

The theory is entertained by the po-

lice that Mrs. Clevenger did not have either of the pistols in her hand, and that all of the shooting was done by Clevenger himself. On the arrival of the police, the largest pistol was found in the middle of the hall, on the lower floor, and the smaller pistol which Clevenger is supposed to have taken from the store was found in the room where he lay dead. The big pistol had been entirely emptied, and the smaller one contained two empty chambers.

Perry Clevenger has been operating a soft drink stand at the corner of Asylum avenue and South Broad street, opposite the L. & N. depot. It is claimed that on the second floor, he operated a "wine room" visited by women, to which Mrs. Clevenger had objected for some time. For the past three weeks, there had been bad feeling between them on account of the practice on the part of her husband, and during the past week, the feeling had grown more intense.

Thursday afternoon, Lieutenant Porter, of the Knoxville police department, and a number of patrolmen made a raid on the soft drink stand operated by Clevenger. He was arrested on the charge of storing beer. His brother Tobe, was arrested on the charge of selling beer, and the two girls, Ella Key and Causie Day, both of whom are Knoxville women, were arraigned on the charge of loitering around a soft drink stand.

The raid was made about 3:30 o'clock. Clevenger, and his brother were on their return from the police headquarters, having made bond in the required amount for their appearance at trial, when Perry is reported to have said to his brother, "I am going to shoot my wife as soon as I can get a gun."

They proceeded past their residence, according to the story given out by Tobe Clevenger Thursday night, and continued down to No. 608 Asylum avenue. Tobe went down to the first floor of the stand, and states that his brother left him, saying that he was going upstairs to get a pistol. On his

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SUCCESSFUL SHOOT HELD BY NEWPORT GUN CLUB

A Jack Rabbit Shoot was held under the auspices of the Newport Gun Club Monday, and an interesting program was shot through. Several experts were here, including among the professionals, C. E. Goodrich of the Dead Shot Powder Co., R. B. Plummer of the Peters Cartridge Co., and A. M. Hall of the Remington U. M. C. Among the visitors were C. A. Burke, H. Van Gilder, Sam Pittner and J. W. Barnett of Knoxville; Sam Chilton of White Pine; Hugh Mims of Morristown.

The targets were a wicked lot, and throughout the day the shooters were baffled at the way the traps sprung them, and because of this fact the scores were low. Mr. Goodrich led the professionals by missing but 18 out of a possible 200. Mr. Plummer was second with 163 and Mr. Hall followed with 153 broken targets.

C. A. Burks of Knoxville led the amateurs with a score of 157; J. J. Denton was second with 155 and H. Van Gilder was third with 154. Sanford Burnett had a score of 145 and John Holt 143 for the twelve events. For nine events, Mack Burnett made a score of 111.

Fred Hale was referee and Frank Early scorer.

The complete score follows:

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total						
Targets	15	15	15	15	15	25	15	15	15	15	15	25	200						
C. A. Burks	10	12	11	12	10	21	12	12	11	13	12	21	157						
H. Van Gilder	12	13	12	12	14	20	8	13	12	11	10	17	155						
A. M. Hall	14	7	11	10	11	18	10	9	13	11	14	24	153						
Sam Pittner	13	10	6	10	10	13	10	9	11	7	11	16	152						
C. E. Goodrich	15	13	13	13	13	24	13	13	14	13	13	24	182						
S. P. Chilton	9	13	11	12	13	19	11	12	14	5	11	21	161						
H. F. Mims	12	8	10	8	11	23	12	11	11	11	12	22	155						
J. R. Seehorn	11	11	13	11	11	17	6	7	13	10	11	17	138						
C. A. Rodeheaver	10	13	11	11	10	5	10	8	11	12	18	12	139						
R. B. Plummer	13	11	18	13	11	22	13	15	11	11	11	19	163						
John Holt	10	12	8	11	11	16	9	10	13	13	13	17	143						
J. W. Barnett	5	4	1	6	10	21	11	10	14	14	12	18	126						
Sanford Burnett	11	13	12	11	14	17	9	9	10	10	19	14	145						
C. E. Dawson	10	8	7	8	10							10	127						
E. C. Burnett	9	4	8	9	11								182						
J. J. Denton	13	12	11	13	9	20	10	11	11	11	13	21	155						
W. B. Robinson	10												13	10	10				
T. H. Campbell	7	10	1										13	10	11				
Orlie Weaver	8	7											8	7	3				
F. E. Early	6	6											6	6	7	7	12	16	
Henry Alexander	4												4						
Jim Bible																			
Mack Burnett																			
L. S. Smith																			
T. P. Jones																			
W. W. Lovell																			
Joe Hemphry																			
B. A. Roberts																			
E. Holl																			

PRINCE BORIS.

Whose Engagement to Czar's
Daughter is to Be Announced.



MUST SERVE PEN SENTENCE

Supreme Court Affirms Verdict
in the Ramsey Murder
Case.

John and Garfield Ramsey two Cosby youths who were convicted of the murder of Turpin Valentine, another Cosby youth over a year ago, and who had appealed their cases to the Supreme court will have to serve their sentence, as Judge Buchanan on Saturday rendered a decision affirming the sentence of the lower court.

The young men, engaged in a knife duel with Valentine, following a gathering at one of the Cosby homes.

The quarrel started over a quart of whisky which one of the Ramsey boys had brought to the place and which the Valentine boys was accused of stealing.

A fight followed in the dark, and Garfield Ramsey was thought to be getting the worst of it, when his brother joined in.

The boys were finally separated and the Valentine boy left the place, but was found dead a short distance away the next morning, having bled to death from stab wounds.

The case was postponed for several terms of court, and when tried the boys were sentenced the penitentiary for short term. The case was appealed to the Supreme court.

First Trip To Knoxville

Dan Ragan, of Cosby, aged 60 years, made his first trip to Knoxville last Monday.

T. & N. C. ROAD HAS TWO DERAILMENTS

The Tennessee & North Carolina railroad had two derailments Saturday, one of which blocked the road for several hours, a car of apples being upset at or near Waterville. The other derailment was near Newport and occasioned but slight delay.

DICK MCMAHAN OUT OF HOSPITAL

Popular Young Railroad Conductor Has Recovered From Serious Injuries.

The many friends of Dick McMahon were delighted to see him about the streets of Newport Saturday, and to know that he was almost fully recovered from his very serious injuries.

Several weeks ago while coupling cars at Crestmont, McMahon who was conductor of the freight train, was mashed between the bumpers of two cars, and sustained injuries which at first were thought to be fatal, but his youth and nerve stood him in good stead, and as a result he is out of the hospital, having come up from Knoxville, Saturday morning.

BUGGY LANDS IN TREE-TOP

Horse Backs Off of a Steep
Embankment.

THE OCCUPANTS UNHURT

Miss Lottie Leith and James Gregg Have Narrow Escape From Death or Serious Injury While Driving on Narrow Road Leading to the Deep Ford Bridge.

James Gregg, book keeper for Stokeley Brothers & Co., and Miss Lottie Leith had a very narrow escape from death or serious injury Thursday night when a horse which they were driving backed off the bluff at the deep ford bridge, near the home of Mrs. D. B. Robinson.

That death or injury did not result was due to the fact that the buggy alighted in the top of a tree, instead of completing its forty foot plunge to the bottom of the embankment.

The couple left the home of Mrs. Robinson about 10 p.m. Thursday night to drive to Miss Leith's home.

As the horse approached the bridge over the French Broad river, where the road is so narrow that two teams cannot pass, the horse became frightened at a mile post and backing suddenly turned his head towards the bank which lines one side of the road and sent the buggy off the bluff on the other side.

The occupants of the buggy tried to get out, but were unable to do so until the buggy left the road, and Gregg found himself rolling over the ground, while Miss Leith did not get out of the buggy until it had lodged in the tree, and was able to crawl out over the back into the road.

The overhanging trees make the place of the accident so dark that it is difficult to see your hand before you, and it was with great difficulty that the harness could be cut from the horse and make it possible to extricate him from his predicament.

Help was summoned from the Robinson home, and when lights were brought, it was found that it was possible to walk under the buggy which was hanging on the limbs of the tree and forty feet down the bank Gregg's hat was found.

Miss Leith escaped with injury, although the shock of her experience kept her confined to her bed for three or four days, while Mr. Gregg had numerous bruises to show for his part in the accident.

RETAINS VIGOR AT AGE OF 92

Jacob Ottinger of Near St. James
Takes Great Pleasure
in Reading.

Occasionally under the invigorating breezes of these mountains of Tennessee a man reaches the age of three score and ten years without feeling the effects of old age, but it is seldom that a man anywhere reaches the ripe old age of 92 years and remains vigorous, but such is the case of "Uncle" Jacob Ottinger who lives on the Cooke and Greene county line near St. James. Not only is he vigorous, but his eyesight is splendid and he gets much pleasure from his reading.

Mr. Ottinger will celebrate his ninety-second birthday on the 20th of this month. His life has been an eventful one and those who have had the pleasure of listening to his stories have considered that they were being given a treat. Eventful trips to Indians on horseback, give him ample opportunity to picture the wonderful things experienced by the early settlers of this country.

Rev. Mr. Bruner Returned

Rev. M. C. Bruner who has been in attendance at the Holston conference whose sessions have just come to a close, was returned to Newport. L. O. Lea was appointed for the Newport circuit and A. A. Newman to the Parrottsville charge.

Walter Willis, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Willis who is a student at Tusculum college, near Greenville spent Saturday and Sunday at home.